

## BRANCH OF EQUAL SUFFRAGE LEAGUE

Strong Organization, It Is Expected, Will Be Perfected in Petersburg.

### PLANS TO BUILD GOOD ROAD

Important Meeting of Prince George Citizens Will Be Held To-Day.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, 5 Hollingsbrook Street, Petersburg, Va., January 30.

The temporary organization of the Petersburg branch of the Equal Suffrage League of Virginia last night is the prelude to what is believed will be a strong organization in the early future. Mrs. B. R. Valentine, president of the State League, presided, and explained to the large gathering of women present the principles, purposes and plans of the suffrage movement, and answered many questions that were asked bearing on woman's status should she be granted the privilege of voting. Cards of membership, to be signed, and to be distributed and returned before the meeting for permanent organization is held.

#### Important Prince George Meeting.

An important meeting of citizens of Prince George County will be held to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the hall on the Jerusalem Plank Road. The State will be represented by the Highway Commissioner, the Petersburg Chamber of Commerce, the county by members of the Board of Supervisors, and the Farmers' Union and the Crater League by their officials.

The object of the meeting is to seek the aid of the citizens of the District, through which it runs, in the permanent improvement for at least five miles out from Petersburg of the historic Old Jerusalem Plank Road, along the line of which occurred some of the famous battles of the last year of the war. Included in these are the famous Crater battlefield, the battlefield of Rives Farm, the famous Fort Sedgewick and Mahone, and others. Along the road within close vicinity to Petersburg, stately and beautiful monuments and tablets have been erected, and hundreds of visitors make annual pilgrimages to these scenes.

The supervisors of this county will appropriate \$1,000 to this improvement, about the same amount will be received from the State, and citizens of Petersburg have contributed \$1,000 or \$1,200. It is time for the citizens of Rives District, who are to be immediately benefited, to add their individual contributions, and this, it is believed, will be done at to-morrow's meeting.

#### Conference of Mormon Elders.

A conference of the Mormon elders in Virginia will be held in this city on Saturday and Sunday. There are eighteen traveling elders of the Mormon faith in Virginia, whose work is done very quietly. Elder C. W. Crosby is in charge of the Virginia Mission, and Presiding Elder Charles A. Collis has general charge of the missions in the Southern States. Both will be present, and will speak at the conference. There are some adherents of the faith in Petersburg, and about 1,200 in Virginia.

#### Drowned in the Harbor.

An unknown negro was drowned in the harbor, opposite the union station,

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this morning. The body has not been recovered and there is mystery as to who he was, and as to how he got into the river. The supposition is that he fell from the small foot bridge just above the dam, crossing to Pocahontas, and that he was swept over the dam by the rapid flood current. He was seen bobbing up and down and struggling to reach the bank, and sank before assistance could reach him. There is some suspicion that the man jumped in the river to end his life, but this apparently has no foundation. As yet no one has been reported missing, and there is no idea as to the identity of the man.

#### Negro Injured.

Samuel Cain, colored, was brought to Petersburg to-night from Emporia suffering from a gun shot wound in the left arm and abdomen. He was out hunting rabbits with a friend and had stopped for dinner, placing the gun on a log. By some means the gun fell, striking the trigger against a twig and was exploded, the whole load of shot striking Cain in the left arm and side. He was brought to the hospital and will be operated on to-night.

#### General News Notes.

In the Hastings Court to-day Ben Richardson, negro, indicted for felonious cutting and wounding, was convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for one year.

William Hill, negro, was arrested last night for having in possession five pairs of shoes alleged to have been stolen night before last from a car at Dunlop's in Chesterfield. He claims to have brought them for a small price.

Andrew Tucker, a mail carrier, traveling on a rural route in Chesterfield, was injured yesterday in an accident caused by his horse running away. He was thrown and dragged for some distance and severely bruised.

Sales of tobacco to-day were 150,000 pounds, at prices ranging from \$5 to \$30. Market active and strong.

William E. Ramey, city treasurer, who has been confined to his home for several days, is much improved.

Jessie Reinisch, who celebrated his seventeenth birthday last night, received

calls and congratulations from a large number of friends, many of whom brought appropriate presents. All callers were entertained.

#### D. H. Williams, bridge foreman on the A. C. L. Railroad, who has been in the hospital for some time with a broken foot, is out again, and left this afternoon to visit his brother, E. C. Williams, at Chester.

No such name as William H. Billings, who is reported in The Times-Dispatch this morning as being sued for divorce at Norfolk, Conn., appears in the Petersburg directory.

#### WYNDHAM WHITE NAMED.

Will Lead Bristol Club in Place of Henry G. Lavender, Who Resigned.

Bristol, Va., January 30.—The Bristol Athletic Association, owners of the Bristol franchise of the Appalachian Baseball League, are now put to the necessity of electing a president. Henry G. Lavender, who was elected last Saturday night, has made it plain that he cannot possibly accept, stating that, as much as he loves the game, he would be unable to find the necessary time to devote to it. It is probable that Wyndham R. White, the vice-president, will be made president.

#### Wharton Carter Indicted.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Bristol, Va., January 30.—Wharton Carter, the Scott County, Virginia boy, who shot William Burchfield, a schoolmate, at Emory and Henry College, at Emory, a few weeks ago, was indicted at Abingdon this week, and will be tried on a charge of first degree murder. The shooting followed a quarrel over a trivial matter.

#### Instantly Killed by Train.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Harrisonburg, Va., January 30.—At Elkton to-day John Shifflet, aged fifty, section foreman on the Chesapeake Western Railroad, was instantly killed when an engine and tender backed over him and cut off both legs above the knees. He leaves a wife and several children.

## Short News Stories From All Over Virginia

### BOUDAR RETURNS FEE.

Expert Accountant Charges City Nothing Because of Error.

Radford, Va., January 30.—Expert Accountant H. B. Boudar, who recently examined the city's accounts, has returned the fee of \$449.50. This was the outcome of mistakes found in the accounting when the treasurer's bonding company's expert found that instead of a shortage of several thousand dollars there was an excess in the treasurer's favor of \$26. Neither report has yet been made public by the finance committee, though there is said to be a small error in adding in the last account.

### GETS CONSULAR JOB.

University of Virginia Graduate, Appointed to Nova Scotia.

Charlottesville, Va., January 30.—George P. Waller, well known in Montgomery, Ala., has been appointed United States Consul at Fairmount, Nova Scotia. Mr. Waller is one of several well educated Alabamians who have secured consular appointments in recent years after the establishment of civil service and competitive examinations for consular appointments.

He is a son of Dr. and Mrs. George P. Waller, of Montgomery, and during his college days he was a frequent entertainer of the young people of Montgomery at the Waller home, Halcyn Hill, a few miles east of the city.

He received his preliminary education in Montgomery, and from the University of Virginia. After his graduation from the University of Virginia, he became the principal of a well known preparatory school of Virginia. While serving in that capacity he took the examination for a consular appointment, and now the news comes to Montgomery that he has been named as consul to one of the leading ports of Nova Scotia.

### LOOKS DARK FOR HARGROVE.

Strong Evidence Accumulating Against Alleged Murderer.

Fredericksburg, Va., January 30.—The authorities of Spotsylvania County are busy summoning witnesses in the case of the Commonwealth against F. L. Hargrove, colored, confined in the Fredericksburg County jail under indictment for the alleged murder of Mansfield Thornton and wife, Melvina, on Friday night, December 13.

The case will be called at the regular term of Circuit Court, beginning next Monday.

It is said Hargrove is beginning to show signs of weakening, and it is believed he will, under pressure, confess the crime and tell of any other party who was implicated with him.

Hargrove was of sound mind when arrested, but during the last week or ten days he has been acting in a peculiar manner, when several local attorneys have been called in to see him, because of the nervous tension he is under is not definitely known. But it is beginning to be thought his attorney, when the case comes to trial, will enter a plea of insanity for his client.

### CHURCHES MAY UNITE.

Christian Congregations in Lynchburg Consider Merger.

Lynchburg, Va., January 30.—The question of the merger of the congregations of Park View, Deerington and West Lynchburg churches in the near future is being considered, and it is not unlikely that a meeting will be held to-morrow night for the purpose of consummation of this project.

Should the object of the proposition meet with favor, it is proposed to dispose of the three church properties and to secure a more central location for a new church building, and to build a new church building to comfortably house the

### FIRE NARROWLY AVERTED.

Drying House of Imperial Tobacco Company in Danger of Destruction.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Amelia, Va., January 30.—A serious fire at the Imperial Tobacco Company's plant was narrowly averted yesterday morning. One of the company's drying houses, which had just been filled close with tobacco in high order brought from the farmers, was being fired to dry out the tobacco. Although it was not apparent that the fire used were larger than usual, great volume of black smoke began to pour from the building at all the ventilating points and it seemed as if a big blaze was imminent.

Since tobacco houses always seem to take fire at the top, where the heat is greatest, the managers deemed it wise to throw two heavy two-inch streams of water into the building, which was done as soon as the smoke could be coupled up, and after considerable water had been thrown in the house, the smoke and heat subsided.

The Imperial Company has a water tank holding 500 gallons on a sixty-foot steel tower and, with plug hydrants at various points, is in good shape to handle the situation and prevent a very serious loss. There will be considerable damage by water, but it is covered by insurance.

Judge Southall opened court yesterday morning and Judge Wells arrived on the 12:30 train from Richmond and took the bench.

The case of Cousin and administrators, suing the estate of Lee Clarke, who shot Lee Cousins, was postponed.

Young Baird, who stole Judge Southall's horse was proven to be insane and was sentenced to be returned to Williamsburg.

Dr. P. T. Southall sued the county for \$20 for attending smallpox patients. The Board of Supervisors had allowed him \$150, which was considered very liberal. The jury gave him \$50.

### NO EVIDENCE OF MURDER.

Coroner Holds Inquest Over Body of Deputy Sheriff Barnett.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Harrisonburg, Va., January 30.—Coroner W. C. Pulliam yesterday held an inquest over the body of S. C. Barnett, a deputy sheriff of Halifax County, who was killed last night by a passenger train on the Norfolk & Western Railroad near Denison Junction. The fact that he had been attempting to arrest desperate illicit distillers, and the peculiar way in which the body was mutilated, caused the suspicion that he had been murdered and then carefully placed upon the tract. No evidence, however, was produced at the inquest to show other than that he came to his death by being run over by the train of cars, and the verdict of the jury was rendered accordingly.

Aged Woman Expires Suddenly. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Harrisonburg, Va., January 30.—Last night at 9 o'clock Mrs. Michael Showalter, eighty-two years old, complained of feeling unwell. She got out of bed, took a seat in a chair near the stove and died in a few moments. She was Miss Elizabeth Shank before marriage. She leaves six sons, including W. C. Showalter, of Harrisonburg, and Moush Showalter, of Hagerstown, Md., and four daughters. A daughter, Mrs. Perry N. Heatwole, died on Christmas Day.

### DR. HENRY LOUIS SMITH WILL BE INAUGURATED MAY 7.

Lexington, Va., January 30.—The date of the inauguration of Dr. Henry Louis Smith as president of Washington and Lee University has been fixed for Wednesday, May 7.

### members of the Christian Church in West Lynchburg.

The combined active membership of the three churches is upwards of three hundred, and a merger, it is claimed, would give the members a strong church in place of one that is amply able to support its work and two small mission churches.

### HOPE FOR HUFFMAN.

Rockingham Man's Case Will Come Up Before Wilson.

Harrisonburg, Va., January 30.—The friends of George E. Huffman have reason to despair of his getting mercy at the hands of the President of the United States. It was learned yesterday that the case of the Rockingham mail clerk had not been carried before President Taft when he announced the list of pardons last week.

It is a purpose of the Hoffmans to wait until the prisoner has served one third of his time in the Atlanta prison before they appeal for clemency. At that time President Wilson will be in office and a petition asking for pardon for the Penn-Laird man will be presented to the new President.

### MURDEROUS ASSAULT.

Man Believed Insane Tries to Kill Two Others.

Pulaski, Va., January 30.—John Rose, night night nurse at the Madison Hotel, near Dublin, getting out of his bed in the dead of night as his would-be victims were wrapped in sleep, directed in the dark as they proved to be only scalp wounds and nothing serious is anticipated therefrom by Dr. E. L. Sutherland, who was called to dress the wounds. Unless unforeseen complications should arise, Rose was arrested yesterday by Deputy Samuel Vickers and brought to the county jail, where he will be held pending a lunacy commission, which will be held in his case.

### TRUSTEES HOLD MEETING.

Discuss Arrangements for New Building of Episcopal High School.

Alexandria, Va., January 30.—A meeting of the trustees of the Theological Seminary of Virginia and the Episcopal High School was held yesterday in St. Paul's Church for the purpose of considering some matters in connection with the erection of the new building of the Episcopal High School which are now in the course of construction. Among those who attended the meeting were Bishop Gibson, of Virginia; Bishops Randolph and Tucker, of the Southern Diocese of Virginia; Bishop Gravatt, of West Virginia; Dr. Scollay Moore, of West Virginia; Rev. John Lloyd, of Norfolk; Rev. P. P. Phillips, of Alexandria; Judge Garnett, of Norfolk; Colonel Arthur Herbert, Jr., of Alexandria; and George Stuart, of Alexandria.

The trustees and visitors were entertained at luncheon by the ladies of the Sewing Society of St. Paul's Church.

### NEW STATION AT LEXINGTON.

B. & O. Will Erect \$8,000 Brick Railroad Depot.

Lexington, Va., January 30.—An official of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad has made the station at Lexington a first time that an up-to-date \$8,000 brick passenger station will be erected at Lexington at once. It will have separate waiting rooms for white and colored passengers, and the station will be equipped with modern appliances, and will contain washrooms and toilets, and a smoking room, in addition to the agent's office.

The station at Lexington will be used jointly by the Baltimore and Ohio and the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroads.

### No Measles Epidemic.

Lynchburg, Va., January 30.—Only two cases of measles have been reported to the Board of Health this week, making but twenty-seven cases altogether. There seems nothing to be feared and the Board of Health does not anticipate many more cases. The cases that have so far developed are of a mild character and no complications have developed save in one or two instances.

### Post-Office Changes Name.

Rocky Mount, Va., January 30.—About the 1st of February the post-office at Elba will change its name to Gretna, Va. The railroad station and express office, under name of Gretna Junction, and the corporation, under the name of Town of Elba, will also be changed to Gretna in the near future. There being another station in Virginia named Gretna, it was necessary in order to get the station name and the post-office name to correspond.

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### BIOLOGICAL CLUB RECEPTION.

Given at A. & M. College Complimentary to Members of Legislature.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) West Raleigh, N. C., January 30.—Saturday night the Biological Club gave its annual reception in Patterson Hall. All agricultural students were invited, and a large number of people from Raleigh, including the three girls, colleges. This reception is given every year by the Biological Club, generally in the fall, but the years the Legislature meets it is held during January, complimentary to the members of the Legislature, a large number of whom attended. The halls and rooms of the building were beautifully decorated with holly and long leaf pine.

At a recent meeting of the German Club the following officers were elected: President, A. J. Phillips; vice-president, W. T. Shaw; secretary and treasurer, J. B. Fearing; floor manager, R. A. Gill, and leader, G. H. Anthony. The next dance, which will be the last dance before Easter, will be held Saturday night, February 1.

Dr. F. L. Williams, assistant professor of chemistry, was elected president of the North Carolina section of the American Chemical Society, at a recent meeting of that organization.

At a recent meeting of the senior class the following commencement officers were elected: Junior class—chief marshal, J. B. Kees, assistants, W. R. Patton and J. R. Townsend; sophomore class, J. W. Wilson and L. T. Lewis; freshman class, C. O. Seifert and H. C. Mays.

F. N. McDowell, of the class of 1910, has been transferred from the State Department of Agriculture to the college experiment station in Patterson Hall.

On Friday night the Y. M. C. A. will celebrate one of the greatest events in its history at A. & M. College. This will be in the form of a reception, in celebration of the completion of its new building, which is one of the handsomest in the South. Half of the money for this building was donated by John D. Rockefeller on condition that the college would raise the other half by subscription, which was done, and the building is now finished. W. G. Berghold, general secretary of the association at A. & M., deserves much credit for his untiring efforts towards getting this building.

LECTURES BY DR. SARGENT. Will Be Delivered at Elon College in May.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Elon College, N. C., January 30.—President Harper announced to-day that Dr. William G. Sargent, Providence, R. I., Secretary of Education of the American Christian Convention, will deliver a course of twelve lectures on the Apocalypse or Revelation here in May.

Rev. C. H. Rowland, Franklin, class of 1910, is engaged in a series of evangelistic services here at this time. Mr. Rowland is president of the Eastern Virginia Conference, and a favorite with the student body.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson, of the Chair of Social Science, attended the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the State University in Raleigh Tuesday. He has been a member of the Board for six years now.

### IN RACE FOR LEGISLATURE.

Captain Charles C. Sneed announces His Candidacy.

Fork Union, Va., January 30.—Captain Charles C. Sneed, of this place, has announced himself a candidate for the Legislature to represent Fluvanna and Goochland, subject to primary election. Captain Sneed is a scientific farmer, stock raiser, and prominent and influential in church and county affairs. He was made captain by General R. E. Lee, when Captain Masie was killed about the time of the battle of Winchester.

Request for Orphanage. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Spencer, N. C., January 30.—Nazzari's Home, located at Crescent, Rowan County, is to receive \$1,000 by the will of Mrs. Margaret Hood, who died recently at her home in Frederick, Md. The home was founded and is maintained by the Reformed Church, and the bequest will be of much help to the institution. Through the will of David Imbler, who died some months ago at Thomasville, the same orphanage received a handsome bequest also.

### PASSES CENTURY MARK.

Remarkable Instance of Longevity in Danville Section.

Danville, Va., January 30.—A remarkable instance of longevity in a negro was revealed to-day when news reached here from Brosville, a little town in the county, of the death several days ago of Eliza Thornton. Among the residents of Brosville it is maintained that she was 118 years of age. Some are found who say she was 115 years of age. Little is known of the woman. She was a familiar figure in the neighborhood, and a week ago was stricken with pneumonia, which caused her death last Saturday. In 1911 she joined the Shiloh Baptist Church.

27 CHILDREN IN 24 YEARS.

One Set of Triplets and Six Pairs of Twins Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Winston-Salem, N. C., January 30.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilson, of Stokes County, whose post-office address is Peters Creek, Va., have been married twenty-four years. During this time Mrs. Wilson has given birth to twenty-seven children. Among these are one set of triplets and six sets of twins. Mrs. Wilson is only forty-one years of age.

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